COLON CANCER PREVENTION

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine the prevention and treatment of colon cancer, focusing on efforts to increase awareness and screening procedures, including the use of Medicare-covered screening and diagnostic services to prevent colorectal cancer and minimize its effect on beneficiaries health status through early detection and treatment, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and

Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Michael McMullan, Deputy Director, Center for Beneficiary Services, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; Katie Couric, National Broadcasting Company, on behalf of the National Colorectal Cancer Research Alliance, and Shirley Heiligman, both of New York, New York; and Bernard Levin, University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, on behalf of the American Gastroenterological Association.

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Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 3832–3839; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 90 and H. Con. Res. 264–266, were introduced.

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 1743, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the environmental and scientific and energy research, development, and demonstration and commercial application of energy technology programs, projects, and activities of the Office of Air and Radiation of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 106–511); and

H.R. 1742, to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the environmental and scientific research, development, and demonstration programs, projects, and activities of the Office of Research and Development and Science Advisory Board of the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes, amended (H. Rept. 106–512).

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Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Petri to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H643

House of Representatives Child Care Center Advisory Board: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals to the Advisory Board for the House of Representatives Child Care Center: Mr. Ron Haskins, Rockville, Maryland; Ms. Linda Bachus, Birmingham, Alabama; Mr. Lee Harrington, Alexandria, Virginia; Ms. Patricia Law, Chevy Chase, Maryland; Ms. Barbara Morris Lent, Arlington, Virginia; Ms. Leisha Pickering, Washington, D.C.; Ms. Nancy Piper, Alexandria, Virginia; Mr. Christopher Smith, Bethesda, Maryland. And upon the recommendation of the Minority Leader: Ms. Paula Swift, Alexandria, Virginia; Ms. Sara

Davis, Falls Church, Virginia; Ms. Debbie Dingell, Arlington, Virginia; Mr. Donnald Anderson, Washington, D. C., Ms. Tamra Bentsen, Washington, D.C.; Mr. Jeff Mendelsohn, Washington, D.C.; and Ms. Sylvia Sabo, Vienna, Virginia. Pages H643–44

Presidential Messages: Read the following messages from the President:

National Emergency Re Iraq: Message wherein he transmitted his six month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Iraq—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–204); and Page H644

Trade Policy Agenda: Message wherein he transmitted his Trade Policy Agenda and Annual Report on the Trade Agreements Program—referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and ordered printed (H. Doc. 106–205).

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Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate today appear on page 643.

Referrals: S. 1794 was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and S. Con. Res. 91 was referred to the Committee on International Relations.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CHARTER SCHOOLS: SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES

Committee on Education and the Workforce, On March 3, the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Charter Schools: Successes